TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

HB 2330 - SB 2199

February 16, 2016

SUMMARY OF BILL: Creates a \$200 fine for parking on a two-lane state highway so that a portion of the vehicle encroaches into or obstructs the highway or the highway's right-of-way in a manner that restricts an emergency vehicle from accessing the highway or right-of-way when responding to an emergency.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Revenue – Exceeds \$1,400

Increase Local Revenue – Exceeds \$100

Assumptions:

- A violation for parking in an unauthorized area may be considered a Class C misdemeanor offense under Tenn. Code Ann. § 55-8-160.
- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 40-35-111, the fine for a Class C misdemeanor may not exceed \$50.
- The precise number of violations that this bill will impact cannot be determined due to the specificity of the violation required to result in an enhanced fine. However, it is reasonably assumed that there will be at least 10 violations annually.
- A fine increase estimated to be \$150 (\$200 \$50).
- A recurring increase in citation revenue exceeding \$1,500 (\$150 x 10 citations).
- Local court clerks retain five percent of fine revenue.
- A recurring increase in local revenue exceeding \$75 (\$1,500 x 5.0%).
- A recurring increase in state revenue exceeding \$1,425 (\$1,500 \$75).
- The Department of Safety confirms the bill will not have a significant impact on departmental expenditures.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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